

BRINGIT HOME

Conversation starters to continue at home what began at Immanuel.

Our desire is to see families use this resource
as you live out Deuteronomy 11:19.

UNIT 2: GOD MADE A PROMISE

God's faithfulness is demonstrated in His fulfillment of the promises He made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The promises of God are not dependent upon the understanding or faithfulness of man. He is always faithful to keep His promises. God's covenant with Abraham, that all people would be blessed through his family, is a promise that points to Jesus as the hope of the world.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION Does God keep His promises?

Yes, God always keeps His promises because He is faithful.



Psalm 100:5

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.



AT HOME RESOURCES

September 29 | Session 1 ABRAM FOLLOWED GOD | GENESIS 11-13



STORY POINT:

Abram obeyed God's call.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Abram believed God's words and obeyed God's call to leave his land and his family. God promised to bless Abram and the whole world through one of Abram's descendants. God kept this promise when He sent Jesus, who left heaven and came into the world to rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

Why is God's promise to Abram important?

What promises has God made to us?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN:

On a clear night, challenge kids to count as many stars as they can. When they give up counting, talk about God's promise to give Abraham as many descendants as the stars in the sky. God's promise was to make Abraham's family a blessing to the whole world. Remind kids that this promise was ultimately fulfilled when Jesus—born into the family line of Abraham—came to offer forgiveness and salvation to anyone who believes in Him.

TO SERVE:

Volunteer with a local organization that supports foster and adoptive families. Collect donations, provide meals, or offer to babysit. After serving, read Galatians 3:29 as a family. Remind kids that anyone who believes in Jesus Is adopted as a son or daughter of God and is included in all the promises God has made!

October 6 | Session 2

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM | GENESIS 12; 15; 17



CHRIST CONNECTION:

God kept His promises to
Abraham. Abraham became the
father of the nation of Israel.
Jesus came into the world as a
descendant of Abraham to fulfill
God's promise. All who place their
faith in Jesus are part of God's
family forever.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How does Abraham's name show God's promise?

How did Abraham and Sarai have to trust God?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

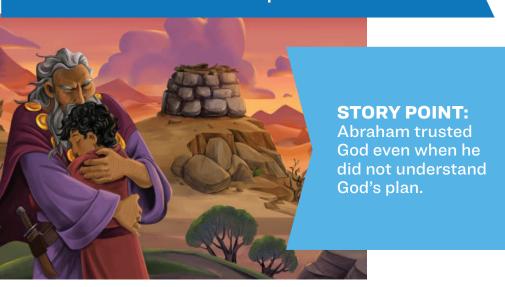
FOR FUN:

Pick a prize or reward for your family if they can complete a series of tasks, but make the tasks impossible for kids to complete on their own. After they attempt the challenge, talk about their inability to complete the tasks and whether they deserve the reward. Grant the reward or prize even though kids did not complete the challenge. Remind them of God's promise and fulfillment to Abraham based on His grace—not Abraham's performance—while you enjoy the reward together.

TO SERVE:

Take your family to a local animal shelter to play with dogs, serve by cleaning kennels, or donate supplies. Talk about the families who will adopt these dogs and give them a home. Remind kids that it is because of Jesus that we can be part of God's family forever.

October 13 | Session 3 ABRAHAM AND ISAAC | GENESIS 22



CHRIST CONNECTION:

Abraham was willing to give his only son for God, but God provided another way. God was willing to give His only Son for us. Jesus knew there was no other way to save God's people, so He died and rose again to provide them with forgiveness and life with God forever.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How does Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac point us to Jesus?

What does it mean to sacrifice something?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN:

Take your family on a hike. As you hike, take the time to talk about the story of Abraham and Isaac. Ask children to describe what they would've been feeling if they were Abraham or Isaac. How did Abraham trust God in such a hard situation? Take a moment to give thanks for Jesus' sacrifice and His willingness to die in your place.

TO SERVE:

Make a list of people who need to hear about Jesus. Talk about when and how you can share the message of Jesus with them. Even though it may seem awkward or scary, plan at least one way you can share the gospel this week with a person on the list. The Gospel: God's Plan for Me is a great tool to help you talk through the gospel in those conversations.

October 20 | Session 4 A WIFE FOR ISAAC | GENESIS 24-25



CHRIST CONNECTION:

God was faithful to provide a wife for Isaac. Abraham's servant brought back Rebekah so Isaac could know and love her. God sent His servant – Jesus – to seek and save people from sin and death. Jesus was faithful. He died and rose again so that people could know and love Him.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did the servant know Rebekah was Isaac's wife?

How did finding Isaac a wife show that God was keeping His promise to Abraham?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN:

If you are married, take a night this week to look through photographs or videos from your wedding. Share with your kids the story of how you and your spouse met and fell in love. Review the story of how God provided Rebekah as a wife for Isaac. Then, read Psalm 139:13-18 aloud to the family. Talk about how God has a plan for our lives—even before we are born. Remind children that we can trust God because He is faithful and does everything for His glory and our good!

TO SERVE:

Volunteer to babysit for a young family to provide a date night for the parents. Consider giving the couple a gift card to cover their dinner. Pray for their marriage and talk with your kids about the story of Isaac and Rebekah. rescue Noah's family and the animals from the flood. There is an even greater rescue through Jesus!



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